

The Osceola National Forest is seeking volunteer campground hosts now in August/September through December at the Ocean Pond Campground. Volunteers play a key role in supporting Forest activities and projecting a friendly helpful face to visitors. Although there is no salary, volunteers receive a free campsite with water, electric and sewer in addition to the tools and equipment necessary to perform a job.

Camphosts work approximately 25 hours per week and greet visitors, perform general maintenance activities and clean campground facilities. Camphosts must have an RV and be over the age of 18 years old.

The National Forests in Florida has a variety of recreational, interpretive and cultural amenities that provide the public with fabulous opportunities to experience the great outdoors. Osceola National Forest is within a short driving distance to Jacksonville, Gainesville and surrounding Nature Coast. Recreation on the 248,000 acre Forest is centered around Ocean Pond, a 1760 acre natural lake and includes campgrounds, group facilities, a day use beach area, 25 miles of hiking trails, 20 fishing ponds, 110 miles of OHV trails, 50 miles of equestrian trails, the Olustee Battle re-enactment, the Osceola Gun Range and Big Gum Swamp Wilderness.

For more information on this opportunity please contact Allison Williams at 386-752-2577 or email <u>allisontwilliams@fs.fed.us</u>. Interested applicants can also go to <u>www.volunteer.gov/gov/</u>. Check out our website at: <u>www.fs.usda.gov/osceola/</u>